Exhibit 3 (redacted)

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7	30(b)(6) DEPOSITION OF
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9	ON BEHALF OF ALPHABET, INC.
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12	ORAL VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF ,
13	produced as a witness at the instance of the United
14	States Department of Justice and duly sworn, was taken
15	in the above-styled and numbered cause on the 28th day
16	of February, 2022, from 8:36 a.m. to 5:59 p.m. PST,
17	before Melinda Barre, Certified Shorthand Reporter in
18	and for the State of Texas, reported by computerized
19	stenotype machine, all parties appearing remotely via
20	web videoconference, pursuant to the rules of procedure
21	and the provisions stated on the record or attached
22	hereto.
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1 cautious of invading the work product doctrine or the 2 privilege. But to the extent that you can answer 3 without doing so, you may.

- 4 A. Sure. You asked the objectives? Is that 5 right?
- 6 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Yes. I'll just restate.
- What were Alphabet's objectives as part of 8 Project Sunday?
- 9 MS. ELMER: Same instruction.
- 10 A. To understand the implications of our potential11 responses to regulatory actions.
- 12 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Were there any other 13 objectives that Alphabet had as part of Project Sunday?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. And do you say "no" because any other16 objectives are protected in Alphabet's view by privilege17 or because there were no other objectives?
- 18 A. There were no other objectives.
- 19 Q. And what are -- what in Alphabet's view were
- 20 the business implications of Alphabet's potential
- 21 responses to regulatory actions as a part of Project 22 Sunday?
- 23 MS. ELMER: I object to that question as
- 24 invading the work product doctrine and instruct the 25 witness not to answer.

- 1 A. Yes.
 - 2 Q. Is the third bullet point a full and complete 3 list of all Google in-house counsel who worked on 4 Project Sunday?
 - 5 A. Yes.
 - 6 Q. Is the fourth bullet point a full and complete 7 list of all Google employees who worked on Project 8 Sunday?
 - 9 A. Yes.
 - 10 Q. What was the role of --
 - 11 A. And can I just -- I want to make sure that
 12 we're clear about semantics here. When you say "worked
 13 on," there's a fairly large distinction between "worked
 14 on" and "was made aware of." So I don't want to convey
 15 that everyone on this list was an active working member
 16 of this project.
 - 17 I would say that a subset of these people 18 worked on it and a larger subset of this group were made 19 aware of the information here.
 - 20 Q. Okay. I appreciate that.
- 21 So on this fourth bullet point the first
- 22 name is . What was that individual's
- 23 responsibility and work performed as to Project Sunday?
- A. So his responsibility was to designate his 25 direct report, to lead the corporate

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- 1 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Will you follow Ms. Elmer's 2 instruction?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. What outside counsel were involved with Project 5 Sunday?
- 6 A. Outside counsel, for that, I'll need to look 7 through the letter.
- 8 Q. And to be clear, if it helps you, I'm happy to 9 just work through the letter. I just need your sworn 10 testimony that what the letter says is or is not 11 accurate.
- So we can go piece by piece through that 13 if that's a good starting point for you.
- 14 A. Yeah. I would appreciate that, and I'll
 15 reiterate that the letter is here to assist as well to
 16 make sure that we have as correct a set of facts as
 17 possible. So I'm happy to work through in conjunction
 18 with that.
- 19 Q. Okay. So on Exhibit 7, page 4 under the 20 heading Project Sunday, let me know when you have that 21 in front of you.
- 22 A. I do.
- Q. Is this list on the second bullet point of24 outside counsel a full, complete and accurate list of25 all outside counsel who worked on Project Sunday?

- 1 development aspects of the project; and that was his 2 entire responsibility.
- 3 Q. Thank you.
- 4 And what was responsibility 5 and what work did she do on Project Sunday?
- 6 A. I can't speak to the work she did because I 7 think that would violate privilege, but her
- 8 responsibility was a combination of project manager and 9 representative in her corporate capacity.
- 10 $\,$ Q. So let me get this refusal on the record. What
- 11 work did do for Project Sunday?
- 12 A. Yeah. I think you're asking me to tell you
- 13 what we did in a project that was specifically directed 14 by legal to do. So I don't understand how I could do
- 15 that without violating the privilege of this project.
- 16 Q. If you refuse to answer my question, I
- 17 understand that. Are you refusing to answer my question 18 as to what work Ms. Arora did for Project Sunday?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. What department does work in at 21 Google?
- 22 A. Corporate development.
- 23 Q. What was the work that performed
- 24 for Project Sunday?
 - A. He worked for and provided analysis.

24 respect to Project Sunday?

25 A. To provide analysis.

moved to a different role, I believe

25 the presentation was given as a -- for awareness to her

PageID# 104020 Page 77 Page 79 work in? 1 Q. And what department does Q. What types of analysis were you to provide as 2 A. Corporate development. I'm sorry. Did you say 2 part of your job responsibilities with respect to 3 what does he work in or what did he work in? 3 Project Sunday? 4 Q. At the time he worked on Project Sunday, what 4 A. That would invade privilege. 5 department did work in? Q. So are you refusing to answer my question about 6 A. Corporate development. 6 your job responsibilities on Project Sunday on the basis Q. And what work did do for Project 7 of privilege? 8 Sunday? A. Yes, of course. 9 A. As stated, analysis. Q. What work did you do with respect to Project 10 Q. And what types of analysis did MS. ELMER: Object and instruct the 11 11 MS. ELMER: Instruct the witness not to 12 witness not to answer to the extent it invades the work 12 answer to the extent that responding would invade the 13 product doctrine. 13 work product doctrine. 14 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Will you follow that , if there is a way to respond that 15 instruction? 15 would not invade the work product doctrine or the 16 A. Yes. 16 privilege, you may do so. Q. Other than privileged information, can you 17 A. I provided an analysis and I gave a 17 18 describe any work did on Project Sunday? 18 presentation. 19 MS. ELMER: Objection, asked and answered. 19 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) When did you give this 20 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) , other than 20 presentation? 21 privileged information, can you describe any work that A. October -- either September or October, in that 22 Mr. Oatis did on Project Sunday? 22 time frame, of 2020. 23 A. Nope. Q. And to whom did you present? Q. What work did Alon Bonder do on Project Sunday? 24 24 A. To the list of Google employees included here. MS. ELMER: Same instruction, 25 Q. Did you present to any Google employees who are Page 78 Page 80 1 the extent that answering would invade the work product 1 not listed here? 2 A. No. 2 doctrine, I instruct you not to answer. 3 A. Yes. The response is identical to what I gave Q. What was the format of the presentation? A. There was a slides document, and it was 5 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) And what department does 5 provided over a GVC videoconference. 6 work in -- worked in at Alphabet at the time Q. Did anyone else give that presentation other 7 of Project Sunday? 7 than you? A. Corporate development. A. Portions, yes. 9 Q. What work did do for Project Sunday? Q. And who were those other people who delivered 10 10 portions of that presentation? MS. ELMER: Same instruction. 11 11 A. She did no work on the project. and 12 Q (By Mr. Nakamura) What were her Q. Did anyone else present besides the people we 13 responsibilities with respect to Project Sunday? 13 have just mentioned? 14 A. To designate me to complete portions of the 14 A. No. 15 project and to review the outcome. Q. Is there any other work that you did for 16 Q. What did do to review the outcome of 16 Project Sunday other than the presentation given in 17 Project Sunday? 17 September or October of 2020? 18 A. She listened to a presentation. 18 MS. ELMER: Same instruction. Q. And did make any decisions with THE WITNESS: What's the instruction? 19 MS. ELMER: Which is to the extent that 20 respect to Project Sunday based on the information 20 21 you can answer without invading the work product 21 provided to her? 22 doctrine or privilege, you may do so. 22 A. No, no decisions were made. A. Sure. I believe the presentation was given --23 Q. And what were your responsibilities with

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13 presentation.

16 that correct?

18 Q. And what were

19 responsibilities with respect to Project Sunday?

20 A. I can give you what his responsibilities were 21 in general; but I think with respect to the project, I 22 think that would invade privilege.

23 Q. Okay. And are you refusing to answer my 24 questions specifically with respect to Project Sunday on 25 the basis of privilege as to job

Q. I apologize. With respect specifically to 18 19 Project Sunday.

MS. ELMER: Wait. Please ask the guestion 20 21 again, Brent. It got garbled.

22 MR. NAKAMURA: I appreciate that, Julie.

23 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) So with respect specifically

24 to Project Sunday, what were job

25 responsibilities?

do with

MS. ELMER: Same instruction,

Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) And you are otherwise

4 refusing to answer on the basis of privilege. Is that

Q. At the time of Project Sunday what were

job responsibilities at Google?

A. He listened to a presentation.

Q. What responsibilities did Mr. Raghavan have

MS. ELMER: Same instruction. To the

A. She was a finance manager.

Q. And to whom did she report?

A. Yeah. To provide analysis.

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5 correct?

A. Yes.

A. To

16 or October of 2020?

A. Yes.

Q. What work did

13 respect to Project Sunday?

19 with respect to Project Sunday?

Filed 05/23/25 Page 6 of **12** Page 87 1 presentation in late April 2021 and the presentation in 2 September or October of 2020? 3 A. I am -- I'm certain he attended the one in 4 October. I don't know if he would have attended given 5 it was materially the same presentation. Q. Okay. What work did do with 7 respect to Project Sunday? A. He listened to the presentation. Q. Did he produce any other work with respect to 10 Project Sunday? A. No. 11 Q. What were responsibilities with 12 13 respect to Project Sunday? A. I can't answer that. Q. And is that only the presentation in September 15 Q. And why not? A. Privilege. 16 Q. What were responsibilities with 18 respect to Project Sunday? A. She listened to the presentation. 20 Q. Did she create any work product --A. No. 21 Q. -- in response to Project Sunday? A. Did she create any work product? Q. Did she do any work? I apologize. Did she do a kev 25 any work other than just listening to the presentation Page 88 1 with respect to Project Sunday? A. No. Q. And, lastly, what did do with respect 4 to Project Sunday? A. He listened to the presentation.

21 extent that you can answer without invading the 22 privilege, you may. 23 A. Yeah. I can't answer. 24 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Was 25 decision-maker with respect to Project Sunday? Page 86 1 A. So you're asking a speculative question that 2 assumes decisions would have been -- or decisions were 3 made. So I guess I don't know how to answer your 4 question. 5 Q. And to be clear, I asked because in a previous 6 letter sent by Ms. Elmer, was described as 7 a key decision-maker. So I'm just seeking clarification 8 as to whether or not that's correct. Obviously, if it's 9 not correct and you've corrected it here in testimony, 10 I'm fine with that. My question is simply was 12 key decision-maker with respect to Project Sunday? 13 A. No. I think that prior letter was incorrect. 14 Q. Okay. What work did do with 15 respect to Project Sunday? 16 A. He listened to the presentation. 17 Q. Did he do any other work with respect to 18 Project Sunday? 19 A. No. 20 Q. What responsibilities did 21 with respect to Project Sunday? 22 A. I can't answer that. Q. And why not? 23

A. Privilege and work product.

Q. Okay. And did attend both the

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Q. Did he create any written work product or 7 anything else for Project Sunday? A. No. Q. And what were job responsibilities

A. I can't answer that. 11 Q. Why not? 12

10 with respect to Project Sunday?

13 A. Privilege. 14

Q. Who initiated Project Sunday?

15 A. Ted Lazarus.

Q. Did anyone else initiate Project Sunday? 16

A. It likely -- or it may have been in conjunction 17 18 with one or more of the senior management folks, as he 19 would have spoken with them to advise on issues 20 happening.

Q. What do you mean by "senior management folks"? 22 Who are those individuals?

Α. or or Q. And are any of those individuals lawyers? 24

A. Are you asking are they acting in the capacity

1 page 2, Exhibit 7?

- 2 A. I can offer -- as a corporate designee, I can 3 offer that Project SingleClick, which was the first in 4 the series of these projects, would never have been 5 undertaken if we did not anticipate litigation. And 6 that project started in December 2019.
- 7 But I can't answer your other question the 8 specific way you phrased it because I think that -- in 9 my opinion, that violates -- like you're asking me to 10 tell you exactly my conversations with a lawyer or our 11 internal conversations as a corporate with our counsel 12 and our business leaders.
- 13 Q. To be clear, , I'm not asking you 14 for what you told your lawyers or anything else like 15 that. All I'm asking for is Alphabet's position on the 16 dates on which it anticipated litigation in response to 17 the investigations listed on page 2, Exhibit 7. What 18 are those dates?
- 19 MS. ELMER: Brent, he just told you what 20 the date was. He has answered your question.
- 21 A. I just don't understand how this would not be a 22 privileged conversation. You're asking for our 23 combination of our general manager and legal analysis to 24 a regulatory situation. I just don't get what you're 25 asking and how that would be fair.

1 answer, that is okay.

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- MR. NAKAMURA: And I would caution counsel 3 that objections are to be limited to protect the 4 privilege, preserve a Fifth Amendment right or otherwise 5 stated shortly and plainly. If nothing else, we can 6 just move on.
- MS. ELMER: I'll remind the questioner not 8 to harass the witness. Same scope objection, asked and 9 answered. And I instruct the witness not to answer to 10 the extent that the answer would invade attorney/client 11 privilege or the work product doctrine.

MR. NAKAMURA: To be clear, because

- 13 brought this up himself, is it your
 14 position, Ms. Elmer, today that the dates on which
 15 Alphabet anticipated litigation are privileged?
 16 MS. ELMER: No. It is my position that
- 17 this witness is not the corporate designee on that topic 18 and that that particular question invades attorney work 19 product, opinion work product.
- The date on which counsel for a company 21 decides that a government investigation is likely to 22 lead to litigation is a matter of attorney opinion work 23 product.
- So no, I have not brought a witness here 25 today to testify about opinion work product of

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1 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Okay. So just to confirm, 2 and, again, we can close this out and move on. I am 3 simply asking, are you saying you are not going to give 4 me a response because you believe that it would be 5 privileged, ?

6 A. I gave you a response.

- 7 MS. ELMER: He's already provided you a 8 response, Brent. He answered your question. He said 9 that SingleClick in December of 2019 would not have been 10 undertaken had litigation not been anticipated. He's 11 answered your question. Please stop badgering and 12 harassing the witness.
- MR. NAKAMURA: I am simply attempting to 14 just close out this line of questioning. If he is not 15 prepared today to testify on it, that is perfectly fine. 16 I just have to know that.
- 17 If you think it's outside of the scope,18 you can instruct him not to answer. These are all19 simple solutions.
- 20 Q (By Mr. Nakamura) My question -- I'm just 21 trying to close this out -- is, ______, on what 22 dates did Alphabet anticipate litigation for each 23 investigation listed on page 2 of Exhibit 7?
- 24 MS. ELMER: Same scope objection.
- 25 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) If you do not have an

1 attorneys. So let's move on.

- 2 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) do you refuse 3 to answer my question on the basis of your counsel's 4 advice?
- 5 A. I feel like I've answered your question four 6 times already. So no, I believe I did answer your 7 question.
- 8 Q. do you refuse to provide any 9 additional information in response to my question based 10 on your counsel's advice?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Thank you.
- 13 As part of Project Sunday, is Alphabet 14 considering any divestitures?
- MS. ELMER: I instruct the witness not to 16 answer because the question invades the privilege and 17 work product.
- 18 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Will you follow your 19 counsel's instruction?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Prior to Project Sunday, since 2019, has 22 Alphabet considered divesting any of its AdTech 23 products?
- 24 MS. ELMER: Same instruction.
- 25 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) I'm sorry. Outside of

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- 1 Project Sunday, since 2019, has Alphabet considered 2 divesting any of its AdTech products?
- 3 MS. ELMER: I instruct the witness not to 4 answer to the extent that the question invades the 5 privilege or attorney work product.
- 6 MR. NAKAMURA: I don't understand, 7 Ms. Elmer, the basis for your privilege instruction, 8 given that I said "outside of Project Sunday." Are you 9 saying that everything outside of Project Sunday is 10 privileged?
- 11 MS. ELMER: I think we're here about a lot 12 of projects, Brent, today. So why don't you ask a 13 better question.
- 14 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) As part of any projects15 outside of Project Sunday, did Alphabet consider any16 divestitures of its AdTech products?
- 17 MS. ELMER: Same instruction.
- 18 MR. NAKAMURA: Is your privilege 19 instruction, Ms. Elmer, based on the notion that the 20 names of projects outside of Project Sunday are 21 privileged?
- 22 MS. ELMER: It is not.
- And we've been going for quite some time, 24 and I think we've reached our lunch break time. So why 25 don't we take a lunch break, and then we can come back.

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 MS_FI MFR: Well | I'm sorry to
- 1 MS. ELMER: Well, I'm sorry to 2 interrupt. I'm sorry to interrupt. But because this 3 question is going beyond the scope of the CID, I'm 4 instructing you to answer in your personal capacity 5 here.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Oh, okay.
- 7 A. Then I would say I can't answer due to 8 privilege.
- 9 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) And is one of the -- and 10 what are the names of projects for which Alphabet was 11 considering divestitures of its AdTech products?
- MS. ELMER: I instruct the witness not to 13 answer the question because the question invades the 14 attorney/client privilege and the work product doctrine.
- 15 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Will you follow your 16 counsel's instruction?
- 17 A. Yeah. Are you actually asking me, like, about 18 the privileged contents?
- 19 MS. ELMER: He is, and I instruct you not 20 to answer.
- 21 MR. NAKAMURA: And that's fine.
- Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) As part of -- I'm sorry.And are you going to follow your counsel's instructionnot to answer?
- 25 A. Yeah.

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- 1 MR. NAKAMURA: All right. Let's go off 2 the record.
- 3 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Going off the record at 4 12:10 p.m.
- 5 (Luncheon recess)
- 6 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Back on the record at 7 12:52 p.m.
- 8 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) All right. Thanks for 9 returning, . I'm just going to finish off 10 the question I had earlier.
- 11 As part of any projects outside of Project
- 12 Sunday, did Alphabet consider any divestitures of its 13 AdTech products?
- MS. ELMER: Brent, do you mean the other 15 projects listed in the CID, or do you mean any other 16 projects at Google ever?
- 17 MR. NAKAMURA: Any other projects at 18 Google ever since 2019.
- 19 MS. ELMER: All right. So I object to 20 your question as being outside the scope of the CID, but
- 21 may answer in his personal capacity if he can to 22 the extent that such an answer would not invade the
- 23 privilege or work product.
- 24 A. So as the corporate designee relating to these 25 projects --

- 1 Q. As part of Project Sunday, is Alphabet2 considering any changes to the way its AdTech products3 operate?
- 4 MS. ELMER: Same instruction.
- 5 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Are you going to follow your 6 counsel's instruction?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Did Project Sunday incorporate any business9 analyses previously performed by Alphabet employees10 before Project Sunday began?
- 11 A. I'm sorry, can you repeat it?
- 12 Q. Sure. Did Project Sunday incorporate any
- 13 business analyses performed by Alphabet employees before14 Project Sunday began?
- 15 A. So my understanding is there was an industry 16 report that had been prepared in the general course of 17 normal business separate from the project and that
- 18 pieces of that, namely, facts, were taken and then 19 incorporated into the project.
- 20 Yeah. That's for a portion of the 21 project; and, yeah, that's the extent of my 22 understanding there.
- 23 Q. And who performed that -- or who created that 24 industry report that you just described?
 - 5 A. And actually, I want to amend my last answer

1 after I answer this.

- So Lazard, the investment bank, was on a 3 general retainer for general industry trends. So they 4 had provided that report as part of a separate sort of 5 ongoing, what's going on in industry retainer. So they 6 were unaware of its use in this project.
- 7 And again I'll say that that was a 8 collection of facts that were then used. So that's 9 that.
- 10 I want to say also there were pieces of 11 analysis from other projects listed in the CID that 12 were -- that were used and incorporated in Project 13 Sunday.
- 14 Q. And what are the names of those projects whose 15 pieces of analyses were included in Project Sunday?
- 16 A. SingleClick and Stonehenge.
- 17 Q. Okay. And other than work from Projects 18 SingleClick, Stonehenge and Lazard's work as you 19 previously described, was any other business analysis 20 performed by an Alphabet employee incorporated into 21 Project Sunday?
- MS. ELMER: Object to the form as 23 mischaracterizing testimony and assuming facts.
- 24 But you may answer.
- 25 A. I'm sorry. Can you repeat?

- 1 been done that was contributed to Project Sunday.
- Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Okay. Thank you.
- 3 And what data sources did Alphabet 4 employees rely upon for any financial analyses prepared 5 for Project Sunday?
- MS. ELMER: Object as invading the work 7 product doctrine and the attorney/client privilege.
- A. Okay. So I can't answer for those reasons.
- MR. NAKAMURA: I'm sorry. To be clear,

10 are you instructing not to answer?

11 MS. ELMER: Yes.

12 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) And will you follow your 13 counsel's instruction?

A. Yes.

- Q. So if you turn to Exhibit 7, page 4 at the 16 bottom -- let me know if you need us to refresh that or 17 if you have it up.
- A. Is this the 225 -- oh, no, wait. That's 19 No. 20.
- Q. That's my internal tab number. That is 21 Exhibit 7. So it is the February 25th letter.
- 22 A. Okav.
- 23 Q. Let me know when you have that up.
- 24 A. Page 4, yes. I have that up.
- 25 Q. So I just want to make sure that in the last

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- Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Sure. And is there any 2 other business analysis other than from Project 3 SingleClick, Project Stonehenge and Lazard incorporated 4 into Project Sunday --
- 5 MS. ELMER: Object to the form -- go 6 ahead.
- Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) -- that was undertaken prior 8 to the beginning of Project Sunday?
- MS. ELMER: Object to the form as 10 mischaracterizing testimony, assuming facts and 11 misleading.
- 12 But you may answer if you can.
- 13 A. I'm sorry. I'm still not --
- 14 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Other than what you've just 15 listed, were there any other business analyses performed
- 16 by Alphabet employees prior to the beginning of Project
- 17 Sunday that were incorporated into Project Sunday?
- 18 MS. ELMER: Object to the
- 19 mischaracterization of SingleClick and Stonehenge as
- 20 business analyses. Also object to the
- 21 mischaracterization of any work provided by Lazard as 22 being the work of a Google employee.
- 23 Other than that, you may answer if you 24 can,
- 25 A. I'm not aware of any other prior work that had

- 1 bullet point that spills over to the next page, does 2 that accurately summarize Lazard's involvement in 3 providing work that was used in Project Sunday?
- A. Yes. And --
- 5 Q. I'm sorry. Go ahead.
- A. To be very specific, work not for Project 7 Sunday but work that was subsequently used in Project 8 Sunday, yes.
- Q. And who on Google's corporate development team 10 interfaced with Lazard?
- 11 A. . He's the primary contact with 12 Lazard.
- Q. Did anyone else from Alphabet interact with 14 Lazard with respect to the project as described on 15 page 4 of Exhibit 7?
- A. With respect to the general retainer agreement, 17 I believe likely interacts with them 18 occasionally.
- Q. And did Lazard make a presentation to any 20 Alphabet employee with respect to the general overview 21 of the AdTech industry as described at the top of page 5 22 of Exhibit 7?
- A. That, I don't know. At the very least they 24 provided a document.
- 25 Q. Okay. I'll now turn to ask you about Project

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1 Monday, which is part of specifications 1b, 2 specification 2.

- Who chose the name "Project Monday" for 3 4 the project?
- 5 A. I did.
- Q. And what was the subject matter of Project 7 Monday?
- 8 MS. ELMER: I instruct the witness not to 9 answer to the extent that it would invade the privilege; 10 but, otherwise, you may answer.
- A. Yeah. It was an analysis for a particular 12 remedy to be undertaken due to the anticipated 13 litigation.
- Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) And what was the particular 15 remedy to be undertaken?
- 16 MS. ELMER: Same instruction.
- A. Yeah. That's privileged. 17
- Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) So will you follow your 18
- 19 counsel's instruction not to answer?
- Q. So turning to page 5 of Exhibit 7, is this a 21
- 22 complete list in bullet point 2 of all outside counsel
- 23 who worked on Project Monday?
- 24 A. Yes.

A. Yes.

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25 Q. And is this a complete list of all Google 1 then you may do so.

- THE WITNESS: Sure.
- A. In conjunction with legal counsel, I authored a 4 potential remedy.

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- Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) And which legal counsel did 6 you author that in conjunction with?
- A. Ted Lazarus and and I believe 8 possibly

Q. I'm sorry. Could you spell that last name?

- 10 A. It's a first name,
- Q. Yes. Could you spell that for us, please. 11
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- 13 Q. I see now. Okay. And is his last name
- 14 15 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Thank you. 16
- And that's listed at the last line of 17
- 18 Google's in-house counsel included. Is that correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And when did you author that legal remedy?
- A. So that was approximately -- it was early 22 March 2021.
- Q. And did you write that legal remedy down in a 24 document?
- A. Yes.

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1 in-house counsel who worked on Project Monday?

- 2 A. Yes, although, again, I want to distinguish 3 between "worked on" and "made aware of."
- 4 Q. And what is that distinction?
- 5 A. In that I don't know if all of them were

6 contributing to the document as much as possibly, you 7 know, this would have been provided to them but they 8 likely didn't do -- many of them likely didn't do work,

9 quote unquote, work.

- 10 Q. Okay. And who initiated Project Monday?
- 11 A. I did.
- 12 Q. Did Mr. Schindler initiate Project Monday?
- 13 A. No. I think I just told you I did.
- 14 Q. And did anyone else initiate Project Monday?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. What was -- what were your job responsibilities
- 17 with respect to Project Monday?
- 18 A. To steward the business through regulatory --19 potential regulatory action.
- 20 Q. And what work did you do with respect to 21 Project Monday?
- MS. ELMER: And, I instruct you not
- 23 to answer to the extent that answering would invade the 24 work product doctrine or privilege. But if there's a
- 25 way that you can answer with not invading the privilege,

- Q. What form did that document take?
- 2 A. A written docs, document.
- Q. Did you make any presentations to anyone at
- 4 Alphabet with respect to that legal remedy?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And when did you make that presentation?
- A. In the April/May time frame.
- Q. And I'm sorry. To be clear, do you mean 9 April/May 2021?
- A. Yes. 10
- Q. And who was at the presentation in April or
- 12 May 2021?
- A. Scott Spencer, , Ted Lazarus,
- 14 possibly . And that would have been it.
- Q. And what was Mr. Lazarus' role in the 16 presentation?
- A. Audience and -- yeah, primarily audience, but 18 also, you know, had provided legal advice.
- 19 Q. Did anyone else present the legal remedy that
- 20 you authored in the April or May 2021 presentation?
- A. I suspect that may have happened up the chain 22 that I wasn't personally aware of. But yeah, I do
- 23 believe that the contents of this were presented up to
- 24 senior management without me.
- Q. And who did the presentation of that legal

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12 Stonehenge or not, as that would violate privilege. 13 MS. ELMER: Brent, I think if you were to 14 ask the witness whether there were 15 discussions that were business discussions and not part 16 of a work product project, he might be able to answer 17 your question.

18 MR. NAKAMURA: All right. I will give 19 that a shot.

20 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) Were there future

21 discussions that were business discussions that 22 occurred that were not part of a work product project?

- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. And when did those discussions take place? 24
- 25 A. All the time for as long as I can personally

- THE WITNESS: Okay. 12
- Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) , did you have 14 anything to add?
- 15 A. Well, I just think real briefly in a document 16 like this that starts to talk to smaller groups that are 17 cross-functional, there's -- it's very difficult to get 18 anything done in an organization this size without 19 talking to the cross-functional partners on any given 20 project.
- 21 So I just want -- like I know I had talked 22 about it at the VP level and the acknowledgments and 23 leadership as well, but it's also the case in these 24 types of projects and all the projects we've been 25 talking to, like you have to solicit all various

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1 functions to get any sort of progress on those.

2 I get the feeling that a lot of the

3 questions are around, you know, why were there so many 4 people involved here. And it's because like to get

5 anything done -- like legal can't answer these

6 questions. These get pushed back to -- usually the

7 starting point, legal says, Hey, there's something 8 wrong. And then I've got to go figure out how to solve

9 that; and to do that, it's going to have implications

10 across the entire company.

11 So that's just a pattern that I don't 12 think we really discussed, but I hope that sheds some

13 light into why you see the cross-functional teams as the 14 working groups in all of these areas.

15 Q. Okay. Thank you, . I appreciate 16 that.

17 MR. NAKAMURA: Seumas, could you please 18 load into the Chat tab 31, please.

19 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) please let me 20 when you have that in front of you.

21 MR. NAKAMURA: While that is downloading 22 for you, I will note that this is an -- could the court

23 reporter please mark this as Exhibit 14 for Alphabet.

24 (Exhibit 14 marked)

25 MR. NAKAMURA: And this Exhibit 14 was a

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1 that this document has been inappropriately clawed back 2 and that privilege has been waived and that I should

3 have been able to examine as the Alphabet

4 representative on what has now been redacted. But with 5 that, I have no further questions on this document.

6 MS. ELMER: We dispute your position, and 7 we're not going to argue about it here on the 8 deposition.

9 MR. NAKAMURA: Fair enough.

10 Seumas, could you please put in the Chat

11 tab 32.

12 While this is being uploaded, this is --

13 if I can have the court reporter please mark this as 14 Alphabet Exhibit 15.

15 (Exhibit 15 marked)

16 MR. NAKAMURA: This is a document that was

17 clawed back by Alphabet's counsel during this deposition

18 and had additional redactions applied. It is a document

19 that begins in Bates No. GOOG-DOJ-AT-0030150, ending in 20 Bates No. 0159.

21 For the record, I'd like to point the

22 witness' attention to PDF page 4. That is a page ending

23 in Bates No. 0152. I will note that additional

24 redactions have been applied to several lines to a

25 bullet point that begins "Antitrust worked with

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1 document that was clawed back by Alphabet's counsel 2 during this deposition and reproduced to us with 3 additional redactions applied. This is a document that 4 begins with Bates No. GOOG-DOJ-AT-00660900 and ends in

6 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) , I plan only to 7 ask you about the first page. Please let me know when 8 you have reviewed that.

9 A. Yes. I reviewed it.

5 Bates No. 0904.

10 Q. The first question is did Alphabet consider

11 as part of Project Stonehenge?
12 MS. ELMER: I instruct the witness not to

13 answer the question because your question invades the 14 work product doctrine and the attorney/client privilege.

15 Q. (By Mr. Nakamura) All right. And with respect

16 to question on May 13, 2020, to your

17 knowledge, is there a PRG or one-page document that was

18 produced as part of ?

19 MS. ELMER: Go ahead, . I'm sorry.

20 A. Yes.

21 MR. NAKAMURA: Ms. Elmer, did you have 22 anything?

23 MS. ELMER: No, I didn't.

24 MR. NAKAMURA: Okay. Thank you. And with

25 that, I will note, again, that the Division believes

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1 and and to build up expertise on the team to 2 effectively work on regulation and antitrust inquiries."

3 The rest of that bullet point has now been redacted.

4 I had planned to examine ,

5 Alphabet's representative, on what has now been 6 redacted, and the Division believes that those

7 redactions are inappropriate as waiver has occurred and

8 that the redactions were in the first instance

9 inappropriate in any event with respect to work product 10 and attorney/client privilege.

11 With that and subject to anything

12 Ms. Elmer would like to add, I have no further questions 13 on this document.

MS. ELMER: We dispute your position with 15 respect to waiver for all of the reasons that we've set

16 forth in prior correspondence with you, particularly

To fortif in prior correspondence with you, particularly

17 given the tremendous scope of the document production 18 that's been made in this matter; but we're not going to

19 argue about it here with you at the deposition.

20 MR. NAKAMURA: I appreciate that. And

21 with that, I have no further questions subject,22 Ms. Elmer, to any questions you might ask

23 MS. ELMER: I do not have any questions.

24 MR. NAKAMURA: All right. With that, no

25 further questions.